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1. During May, work was completed on the extension of landing strips at Kiangwan Airfield, Shanghai. There are five radar stations near the field.
2. In early June approximately 650 civilian laborers were working on the construction of 80 hangars at this field under the supervision of Soviet adviser K'ai-t'e-mo-fu (凱特莫夫) (? Gatomov). Large quantities of gravel, cement, and steel beams are being used in the construction of these hangars, which are scheduled for completion by late July. Approximately 40 planes are landing at this field daily.
3. In early June 49 aircraft arrived at Ts'angshan (崑山) Airfield, 1 in the Tsingtao area. Also at this field are 27 Japanese Zero's. Training flights are flown daily from this field.
4. Among the pilots at Ts'angshan Airfield are 52 Chinese natives of Manchuria. Approximately 60 Soviet advisers at this field recently arrived at Tsingtao. They are billeted in the foreign-style houses on Chink'oushan (金口山), Bund Gardens, Tsingtao. This area is patrolled nightly by plainclothes members of the Tsingtao police force. These Soviet advisers are not permitted to enter or leave the city after midnight.
5. On 18 June 300 boxes of aviation equipment arrived at Canton by train from Hankow. It is to be distributed to White Cloud Airfield and to airfields at Swatow, Chanchiang, Hsiying (110-24, 21-11), and Santsao.
6. On 18 June approximately 200 technicians arrived at Canton by train from Hankow to work at White Cloud and T'ienho Airfields.
7. On 18 June 18 Japanese Zero's were flown to bases in the Canton area.

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8. In mid-June 24 Soviet-made anti-aircraft guns, which arrived at Canton by train from Hankow in late May, were distributed as follows: 8 at Manning Airfield, 6 at Sanya Airfield, 6 at White Cloud and T'ienho Airfields, 2 at Whampoa, and 2 in the Shihlung (135-51, 23-07) area.
  9. In mid-June a joint Sino-Soviet air defense observation post was being operated on Haiyangtao (123-11, 39-04), 60 miles east of Dairen. At the post are 10 Soviet troops whose sole mission is to observe United Nations naval and air movements.
  10. On 24 June 7 fuselages and 40 boxes of airplane parts arrived at Canton by train from Hankow.
  11. On 25 June 2,500 tons of ammunition and explosives for the South China Air Force Command, including rockets and rifle cartridges, arrived in the Canton area from Tientsin and was immediately sent to White Cloud Airfield for storage in that area.
  12. In late June the main supply depots for the Central and South China Air Force Headquarters had been established and were functioning at Kanhsien (114-54, 25-52), Kueilin, and Hengyang. In early July a branch supply depot of this headquarters was established and functioning at Canton. Another branch supply depot at Sanya (109-30, 18-16) and a repair shop at Canton are to be set up and operating by late August.
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